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**RESOLUTION NO. 00 - 02**  
**A RESOLUTION ON THE DENALI COMMISSION TRAINING STRATEGY**

WHEREAS, many Alaskan communities have a rate of unemployment that exceeds 50 percent; and

WHEREAS, in many communities workers for local jobs must be hired from outside the community; and

WHEREAS, many Alaskan Communities do not have an adequately trained workforce to fully support operations, maintenance and construction of public infrastructure; and

WHEREAS, rural Alaska does not have an adequate or coordinated system for developing the skills and knowledge of local residents to build, maintain and operate public infrastructure at this time; and

WHEREAS, with the Commission's continuing theme of energy infrastructure, funding and support for training will have the most impact by focusing on training for construction, operations and maintenance; and

WHEREAS, the Commission realizes that needs for training exist in many sectors of employment but with the limited resources of the Commission and the ability to leverage other funding, the Commission will initially focus on developing a successful training system for construction, operations and maintenance of public infrastructure; and

WHEREAS, the Commission intends to coordinate, complement, and support existing efforts and develop a training system for rural communities and residents that increases resident employment and individual skills and knowledge for constructing, operating, maintaining, and future development of community assets using local and regional labor force.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Denali Commission adopts the following Training Strategy comprised of the following five components:

1. *Construction Career Pathways*: Developing School District and Industry Capacity serving in-school and out-of-school youth and building connections with Post-Secondary and Higher Education.
2. *Building Maintenance and Repair Apprenticeship Program*: Certified Building Maintenance and Repair Journey Persons \_primary focus on housing, construction and facility maintenance.
3. *Community Builders Program*: Community Projects dedicated to building skills, knowledge, and high school completion.
4. *Denali Project Specific Training*: Short Term Construction Skill and Certification Training required for employment on specific Denali projects.
5. *Community Development* Includes regional workforce planning and planning for continued

work opportunities for community residents, technical assistance and capacity building for training, and apprenticeship outreach. Local and regional participation in training strategies, and developing more accurate methods to assess the skills and knowledge of people seeking employment and training in construction and maintenance positions through Alaska Job Centers network and Alaska's Native Employment and Training Organizations.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, the Denali Commission directs the Training Subcommittee to work with local, state, non-profit, profit, and federal entities to provide funding recommendations to the full Commission at the next quarterly meeting that support components of the Training Strategy; and therefore


BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, the Denali Commission directs the Training Subcommittee to specifically coordinate efforts and funding recommendations with Alaska Works' Construction Job Training for Rural Alaskans, with the Alaska Native Coalition on Employment and Training (ANCET), and Alaskan Natives.


#### CERTIFICATION

We, the undersigned, hereby certify that the Denali Commission is comprised of seven members, of whom constituting a quorum, were present at a meeting duly and regularly called, noticed, convened and held this 21st day of January 2000, and that the foregoing Resolution was duly adopted at said meeting by the affirmative vote of 7 members, and opposed by 0 members, and that said Resolution has not been rescinded or amended in any way.

DATED this 28 day of January, 2000

SIGNED:

  
Jeff Staser,  
Federal Co-Chair

  
Fran Ulmer,  
State Co-Chair